

**CITY OF STEVENSON**

**ORDINANCE 2017-1109 RELATING TO INCREASE IN WATER AND SEWER CONNECTION CHARGES REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 993**

**Whereas**, the Council has discussed at public workshops and public hearings on August 24 and October 19, 2017 and studies have been made of the changes that need to be made to increase connection and development fees to meet current system demands;

**Whereas**, by virtue of increased maintenance and operational costs and increased capital outlay, it is necessary to increase the City's water and sewer connection charges, thereby amending former ordinances relating to connection fees; and

**Whereas**, connection fees are authorized under RCW 35.92.025 so that property owners connecting to the system will bear an equitable share of the cost of the entire system.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Stevenson do hereby ordain that the schedule of charges for water and sewer connections, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**NEW WATER SERVICES**

(1) Meter Installation, New Service and Connection Fees

Water connection and new service installation fees for all services except multifamily units shall be assessed according to the following schedule:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Meter &amp; Service Installed</u>	<u>Meter Only</u>	<u>Connection Fee/System Development Charge</u>
¾"	Actual Costs	Note 1	\$ <u>7,779</u>
1"	Actual Costs	Note 1	\$ <u>15,558</u>
1 ½"	Actual Costs	Note 1	\$ <u>23,337</u>
2"	Actual Costs	Note 1	\$ <u>31,116</u>
3"	Note 2	Note 2	\$ <u>70,011</u>
4"	Note 2	Note 2	\$ <u>108,906</u>
6"	Note 2	Note 2	\$ <u>233,307</u>

Note 1. As listed on the prior year's inventory

Note 2. The City does not install service larger than two-inch (2"). For larger services, the customer is responsible for submitting drawings for City approval and for installation of the service.

The water connection assessment for each unit of a multifamily dwelling shall be fifty-seven percent (57%) of the connection fee (or system development charge) for a single-family dwelling (¾"). Meter & Service installation charges will be as listed in 1.

**NEW SEWER SERVICES**

(1) All new sanitary sewer service installations will be completed by the customer subject to City inspection and/or testing.

(a) An inspection fee shall be charged according to the following schedule:

- i. Residential single-family service \$50
- ii. All other services \$150.00

- (2) The sewer “system development charge” or “connection fee” shall be calculated based upon equivalent dwelling units as follows:

Equivalent Dwelling Unit     \$5,607

Sewer service connection fees shall be based upon the equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) of the use of premises that is being served. Equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) means any residential or nonresidential use which has been reasonably found by the director of public works to place a demand on the City’s sewage system approximately equal to the demands thereon by a single-family dwelling.

Distribution of EDUs shall be as follows:

Type of Use	Unit	Per Unit
I. Residential		
1. Single family residential	Each	1.00
2. Multifamily dwelling	each	1.00
3. Mobile Home Park	each space	1.00
4. Living Groups with Shared	each bed	.33
II. Nonresidential		
5. Hotel, Motel, Resort		
a. Without kitchen	Room	.40
b. With kitchen	Room	.60
6. Schools		
a. Day (nonresidential)		
i. Grades 9-12	12.5 students	1.00
ii. Grades K-8	12.5 students	1.00
7. Churches, Lodges, Clubhouses, Theaters		
a. W/O kitchen facilities	100 seats	.90
b. W/kitchen facilities	each	.60
	(added to amount calculated for seating)	
8. Institutions		
a. Convalescent/Rest Home	each bed	.30
9. Restaurant, Lounge, Tavern		
a. Full service restaurant	every 6 seats	1.00
& card room (indoor seating)		
b. Fast food or tavern	every 12 seats	1.00
c. Fast food w/o seats		* (2)
10. Commercial and Industrial		
a. Commercial and “dry” industry		* (2)
b. Special commercials		
i. Laundries (commercial)		* (3)
ii. Car wash		* (3)
iii. Laundromat (self service)		* (3)
c. Service stations & garages		* (3)
d. “Wet” industry		* (3)
11. Irrigation Meter		* (4)
12. Noncontact Cooling Water Systems		* (4)
13. Determination of SDC for Other Uses.		
Other establishments not defined specifically in this chapter shall be determined on a specific use basis,		

consistent with the criteria of this section.

\*Notes to System Development Change Schedule (SDC)


1. Restaurants, lounges or taverns located within a main commercial or industrial building shall be charged a separate SDC for the main building.
2. Fast food restaurant (9b) and commercial and industrial uses (10a through 10c) shall be charged based upon water meter equivalent size (MES).
3. System development charges for a "wet" industrial use (10d) shall be based on a separate engineering study by the director of public works. Such study shall assess the utility's actual costs to serve the specified use, but shall not be less than if calculated as a commercial or "dry" industrial use (10a).
4. Irrigation meters (11) and noncontact cooling water (12) shall be charged system development charges for water only.

**WATER AND SEWER CONNECTIONS**


Connections to the system shall be made within six months of the time the permit to connect is issued. If connection to the system is not made within six months, the permit shall be void and the connection fee shall be forfeited to the city except that one six-month extension may be granted by the city council due to circumstances judged to be beyond the applicant's control.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that Ordinance 993 and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and this Ordinance shall become in full force and effect on January 1, 2018.


DONE in open Council of the City of Stevenson this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

  
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Mayor of the City of Stevenson

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of the City of Stevenson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Attorney for the City of Stevenson